

**U.S. Senate  
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Committee**

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# Legislative Notice

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## S. 1 — Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995

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Debate on S. 1, the Unfunded Mandate Reform Act of 1995 began on Thursday morning, January 12, 1995. After 3 days of debate, and with little progress made in addressing substantive amendments to the bill, the Republican Leader filed a cloture petition on the evening of Tuesday, January 17, 1995. A cloture vote will occur on Thursday, January 19.

### Cloture Petition Rules

The Senate rules covering motions to limit debate (cloture petitions) are governed by paragraph 2 of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the United States Senate. That rule applies in the current situation as follows:

Pursuant to a cloture petition filed by the Republican Leader yesterday, all first-degree amendments were ordered to be filed by 1:00 p.m. today in order to be eligible for consideration to S. 1. All second-degree amendments must be filed at least one hour before the cloture vote, which can occur no earlier than one hour after the Senate convenes on Thursday. At the time of printing this *Notice*, a time had not been set by the Republican Leader for the vote on the cloture petition. The Parliamentarian's Office notes that it has become the practice of the Senate for the Republican Leader to seek consent when setting the time for a cloture vote.

If at least 60 Senators vote for cloture, then all first- and second-degree amendments that are germane and filed within the deadline will be in order to be offered during the next 30 hours. At the end of the 30 hours of consideration of the bill, votes will be held without debate on all pending amendments and on final passage of S. 1. The determination whether an amendment is germane is made by the presiding officer, with the advice of the Parliamentarian. A decision by the presiding officer that an amendment is not germane may be appealed by any Senator. The motion to appeal the decision of the presiding officer is not debatable. The decision of the presiding officer is overruled if a simple majority of the Senators present and voting support the appeal.

## First-Degree Amendments

Listed below are the Senators who filed admendments to S. 1 by today's 1:00 pm deadline. This list does not include amendments which were offered prior to 5:00 p.m. Wednesday.

(The full text of all amendments will be printed in the *Congressional Record* for ~~Wednesday~~, January 19, 1995.)

*Senator*                      *# of Amendments  
still to be offered*

Bingaman:	9
Boxer:	7
Bradley:	2
Brown:	2
Bumpers:	2
Byrd:	1
D'Amato:	1
Dodd:	1
Domenici:	3
Dorgan:	5
Ford:	10
Glenn:	24
Gorton:	1
Graham:	3
Gramm:	2
Grassley:	4
Harkin:	2

*Senator*                      *# of Amendments  
still to be offered*

Hatfield	2
Hollings	1
Kempthorne:	2
Kohl:	1
Lautenberg:	1
Leahy:	1
Levin:	11
Lieberman:	2
McCain:	3
McConnell:	1
Murray:	3
Nickles:	1
Roth:	1
Wellstone	8

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